

Message Text

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE POSS DUPE

PAGE 01 PARIS 06376 031030Z

17
ACTION EUR-12

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 AID-05 CEA-01 CIAE-00 COME-00 EB-07

FRB-03 INR-07 NSAE-00 CIEP-01 SP-02 STR-04 TRSE-00

LAB-04 SIL-01 SAM-01 OMB-01 AGR-05 PA-01 PRS-01

USIA-06 /063 W
----- 102501

R 031027Z MAR 76
FM AMEMBASSY PARIS
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 8404
INFO ALL EC CAPITALS 0028
AMEMBASSY MOSCOW

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE PARIS 06376

PASS AGRICULTURE FOR FAS

E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: EPAP/FR
SUBJECT: FRENCH COOPERATIVES SEEK OIL - FOOD BARTER WITH
U.S.S.R.

REF: PARIS 05038

1. THE "FOOD FOR OIL" PROPOSITION REPORTED IN REFTEL RECEIVED THE PUBLIC BLESSING OF AGMIN BONNET AT THE FEBRUARY 26-27 MEETING OF GAMM (GROUPE AGRICOLE MAILLOT-MALAKOFF WHICH IS AN ASSOCIATION OF 500 COOPERATIVES. MINISTER BONNET SAID THAT HE WAS GOING TO COOPERATE WITH THE FRENCH MINISTER OF FOREIGN COMMERCE ON THE PROPOSAL FOR A "SPECTACULAR" EXCHANGE OF GOODS WITH THE U.S.S.R

2. COMMENT: THIS POSSIBLE NEW TRADE DEMARCHE BY FRANCE IS PART OF GROWING PUBLIC CLAMOR TO SEEK NEW THIRD COUNTRY MARKETS AS OUTLETS FOR FRENCH AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS THIS DRIVE HAS CERTAIN ASPECT OF DIRECT COMPETITIVENESS
LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 02 PARIS 06376 031030Z

WITH UNITED STATES; FIRST, IN CONTEXT OF US-USSR GRAINS AGREEMENT, WHICH IS FREQUENTLY DISCUSSED IN FRENCH

AGRICULTURAL CIRCLES AS U.S. COMMERCIAL VICTORY, VIS A
VIS OTHER EXPORTERS; AND, SECONDLY, IN CONTEXT OF
REVERSING DECREASING EXPORT SHARE OF U.N.C.A.C.
(NATIONAL UNION OF FRENCH CEREAL COOPS). THE
MULTINATIONAL GRAIN COMPANIES ARE BLAMED FOR THIS
WITH POINTED MENTION OF FACT THAT COMPANIES ARE MOSTLY
AMERICAN BASED WITH OFFICES IN FRANCE. HOWEVER, PIEL OF
U.N.C.A.C. HAS SUGGESTED THAT WHILE BARTER PROPOSAL IS
SERIOUS, IT IS ALSO A WAY TO PRESSURE EC AT BRUSSELS
TO TAKE MORE ACTIVIST STANCE IN ITS EXPORT
ACTIVITIES.
RUSH

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: PETROLEUM, AGRICULTURAL COOPERATIVES, BARTER TRADE, FOODS
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 03 MAR 1976
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: morefirh
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1976PARIS06376
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: N/A
Film Number: D760080-1146
From: PARIS
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1976/newtext/t19760399/aaaadjpk.tel
Line Count: 73
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ACTION EUR
Original Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: 76 PARIS 5038
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: morefirh
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 31 MAR 2004
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <31 MAR 2004 by MartinML>; APPROVED <08 JUL 2004 by morefirh>
Review Markings:

Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
04 MAY 2006

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: FRENCH COOPERATIVES SEEK OIL - FOOD BARTER WITH U.S.S.R.
TAGS: EPAP, ENRG, ETRD, FR, UR
To: STATE
Type: TE
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 04 MAY 2006